Remarks

Claims 24-67 are currently pending in the instant application.

Double Patenting Rejection

In the Office Action, claims 24-67 were rejected under the doctrine of obviousness-type double patenting as being unpatentable over claims 1-39 of U.S. Patent 6,327,410 to Walt, et al. ("Walt").

Without necessarily agreeing with the propriety of the rejection, Applicants are submitting herewith a terminal disclaimer that disclaims the terminal portion of the present application that would extend beyond the expiration of the U.S. Patent No. 6,327,410. Applicants respectfully request the Examiner to withdraw this rejection.

Conclusion

Applicant respectfully submits that claims 24-67 are in condition for allowance.

Reconsideration and a Notice of Allowance for all pending claims is respectfully requested.

Please direct any calls in connection with this application to the undersigned attorney at 415-544-7085.

This response is being submitted on or before the extended deadline of June 30, 2004, making this a timely response. A petition for extension of time and requisite fee are submitted herewith. Also, a Notice of Appeal and requisite fee are submitted herewith. It is believed that no additional fees are due in connection with this filing. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additional fees, including

extension fees or other relief which may be required, or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-2319 (Our File: A-67209-6/RMS/DCF [469420-00051]).

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